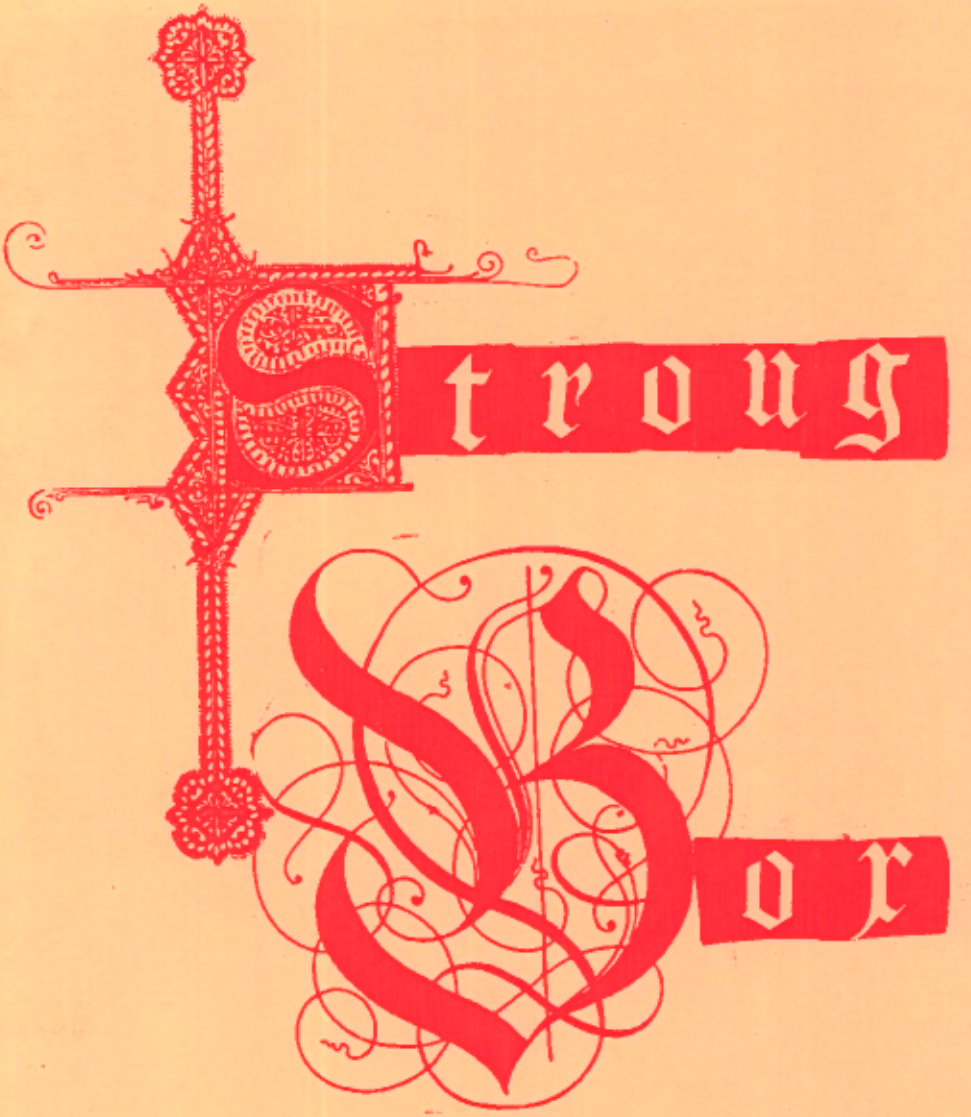
Strong
for

"In handling political controversy, our age is at once anti-intellectual and dehumanized. It has come to hate and despise ideas as such, no longer examining then for validity, but attaching dirty names to them, and reducing them to a label and a personal attack. But even on the score of personality, it has stripped human beings until they have become either saints or devils."

--Max Lerner

"It is true that liberty is precious-so precious that it has to be rationed!"

"One wants to love people-to touch them and caress them. But one does not dare-they bite."

Both quotes, paraphrased,
attributed to Lenin.

WELCOME! We decided that I, Junebug, would introduce Strong Box number four after Shu got grumpy with me on the phone for a misuse of pronouns. He has not yet grasped the fact that when I get in late from a night of parking cars full of Barry Manilow fans, or any other loser and accompanying fans that Blossom deems necessary to have come and play there, that when I say he needs to type out an intro I really mean someone needs to. The only way to wipe that certain I-am-too-tired/aggravated-to-deal-with-you-right-now look off of Skosh's face is to 1)tell him he does not have skinny legs 2)let him repeat one of his stories to you or 3)do whatever it is he is not in the mood to deal with at the moment. So here I am.

We are pleased to bring you this issue due to the travel plans of some friends to Detroit. The best time to get Shu on the ball is when an event such as this is imminent. He finds extra incentive in spreading the word to foreign states. Hello Detroit at that!

Applause to Ffej (is this the correct way to spell Jeff backwards or is that too obvious?) and Shawn of XDeadEndX fanzine, our contributors of the issue. Ffej, as an introduction to the less notorious of the two, is the drummer/asshole of the band with too many names which includes Shu, Vin and the mother-fucking-little-brother Drew. Who says I am unable to curse and look good doing it?

For those of you who have just recently reached the same status as the Strong Box "permanent" staff (a.k.a. high school graduate) I send out my condolences. Four and more years of institutionalized hell with the added pleasantry of having to pay for the luxury of studying two hours for every one of class time. For those of you who do not or can not take this route may all go well in your respective lives. In the mean time we are all excepting donations!

Not much seems to be going on besides all of us working and, if I am allowed to plug my form of amusement, Pandora. I am proud to say that near 40 of these disappeared at the last YMCA show I attended, namely the so called Endpoint show. Even if this little zine did nothing for you at least it gave me some faith in the scene and its ability to provoke interest. Thanks to all of you who cared enough to pick one up and recycle it when you got home. There will be a new one coming out soon so if you have any desire to receive one send word, you know how to get a hold of us.

This is being finished on the eve of Lollapalooza so to all of you who jammed into the place with supposedly over 60 thousand like minded individuals I hope it was all you expected and you did not need too much trip to enjoy yourselves (sorry, I won't let anymore attitude slip).

that is what I feel to be the major backbone of a hardcore scene. Ball Peen Gidget, Splinter and Harriet the Spy recording for an upcoming compilation is what I am babblishly referring to. Not only was this fun because I got to talk to some people that, at a show, I might not be able to talk to because of the busy factor, but also because I had never been in a studio before. Actually, the biggest, and the best reason was because, like I said before, this kind of thing is so important to our little "underground, hardcore" scene. Three bands working together, using the money that people put out to hear these bands live, and putting it into something that will help these bands gain exposure, hopefully draw more people into the scene, and make people realize that things like this can and should continue to be done.

This project is mostly about music, but it is also about "being happy playing $2 shows at the YMCA". All of these bands play small shows, not because they couldn't play larger venues but because they want their music available to more people who care for a better price. These bands play music that is new and not second run. These bands are only the beginning. There will and better be more.

widths.

REGINA LIKES CHICK PEAS

The dark, the light, black, white. Does might make right? Hurt, anger, pain. Tears and screams of disenchantment. Sometimes I just want to tell all of you to go away. Or kill me, lift me from misery. Bury my pain, but please uplift the positive in me that has been hidden for too long.

Driven insane by a yearning to be free of exactly what you put me through. I guess I should have seen it coming. But sometimes you don't want to hurt others so you hurt yourself. This is a cry for help. I know I'm not alone. But sometimes you just want to lay down and die. Some people can just do things like that. I won't back down. The bottom is where I am, and I refuse to fall to my knees.

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JUNE 1993

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shone as she strutted, thighs
smooth swoopes of muscles
she'd oiled lightly
just before he licked
just before she kicked
him away, one heel pressing
into his chest as she pushed
her braided whip
against his lips until
he licked it.
Only then would she open
her vest, release ivory buttons
to let her breasts hang
over his sobbing face
commanded to keep his eyes
shut or receive the whip's butt.

A SUMMER JOB

As a summer job, it was OK. Tho
the guys I worked with sucked.
They just had it in for me
I guess because I was so young.
Always about women and
that I'd never done it.
Especially being a resort motel
with so many one-night stands
us doing maintenance and hearing
from the girls of the sexual
leftovers in those rooms. When
we installed the over-the-bed
mirror was when they really laid
it on. Made my imagination
do some pretty weird tricks.
Tacked a little one over
my own... it was OK. Tho
the guys I worked with sucked.

Sure you're MAX & R! A
Love these go in 2nd?
Th. LR fck pages that
can be stuck in, I'll send
as many as needed - THANX
Paul

Paul Weinman
79 Cottage
Albany, NY 12203

ill. Blair Wilson

You know, I am really sick of self-righteous people that condemn others for being self-righteous. The majority of these self-righteous fucks seem to be neo-vegans. I say neo-vegans because I believe these people were going to the family picnic and piggin' out on kielbasa just a few short years ago and having cookies 'n' milk even more recently. I am slacto-ovo myself and I'm proud of it. I am not really not one to go out and try to save the world, but I try to do the little things that help. And let me tell you being criticized for only going halfway by some neo-vegan is sure as hell not going to get me to ge vegan. All your poems about little furballs and blood, and your self-righteous finger pointing is not doing shit for me or anyone else for that matter. You say the time is now for a vegan revolution but what good will it do when people do not even know what veganism encompasses? You can rant and rave about how I'm a murderer and maiming cows by eating cheese and drinking milk and tell me to go read "Diet For A New America";but I am sure that after you are out of my eyesight all i will remember is that you tried to talk down to me, and not with me. I will not go read that book, I will just continue on with my lacto-ovo existence. If you want me or anyone else to see the proverbial light, you have got to be able to teach me, explain to me in a calm rational manner. If I can talk with you then maybe we can see both sides of the story and come to a compromise. Informative articles always go farther then accusation style articles. Maybe this will give y'all one ta grow on.

I am writing this in the same frame of mind that most of Josh's articles seem to have been. Due to the heat/humidity and my inability to function therein I have passed over the idea of going to the library and doing research there. Instead I am going to be so bold as to use a 1976 edition of "Our Bodies, Our Selves", a 1980 edition of "Changing Bodies, Changing Lives", and some personal evidence to "impart" upon you some grievances of mine along with a little, hopefully useful, information. Like my mentor I feel there are more then a few places where society is lacking and that maybe through an expression of one's own feelings something will be done collectively. I write this in the hopes that those of you who portray open mindedness will realize this possibly quite personal piece is not meant to offend but rather to...unify, for lack of a better word.

My aim was not purposefully veiled in the opening but when you realize I am talking about sex or rather the prevention of pregnancy maybe my precautions will not have been in vain. The outrageous price one is forced to pay for birth control methods, even commercially, is the biggie. For someone who does not like to have their body chemistry fucked with anymore then the amount chocolate does, I am strictly against the pill. I am left with more then a few options, but it must also be stated that I am not the type who finds it necessary to spend money on a gynecologist unless absolutely necessary. Scratch a diaphragm or the like. I don't trust the IUD, or Intrauterine Device, such as coils, loops, or shields in the same way I don't like tampons. I mean it only makes sense that something which remains in an enclosed place such as your uterus for a long period of time would be susceptible to infections and other irritations. Basically all of that puts me off, not as much as an unwanted pregnancy of course, but nonetheless it does.

All that is reasonably left is foam, coupled with a condom. These two together have the same effectiveness as the pill or the IUD. But here too it seems society has put a control. We are not only best kept ignorant but also not supplied. There are many stores that don't carry contraceptives for women and when they do prices run from $10 to near $20 dollars. Being celibate pays in more ways then one. As a slight side step I should also plug being aware of the woman's cycle in order to prevent pregnancy. It can be determined when one is ovulating and therefore at the highest fertility point so to speak or the easiest/best time to become pregnant. There are days that really should be avoided if you are using a birth control method that has some percentage of failure (diaphragm, foam + condom, and IUD are all near 98% effective and the pill is 99%). Though determining these days requires a lot of record keeping and you can not be absolutely sure you have hit on the right days it can not possibly hurt.

My contraception of choice does not exactly go well with spontaneity but neither does life. I believe my "sexual perversions" are not something to be hidden. Really this is only personal in a totally impersonal way. And for those bitties at the store who stare and make comments-get real. Be happy that I can make a decision and deal with it responsibly.

-Junebug

Not too long ago, after school, I happened to be around when two openly gay women walked by a group of males. These males seemed to feel obligated to shout taunts at the two women. What really pissed me off was that I failed to raise my voice to defend them, so I am writing this in hopes that some of those guys might get a hold of this and realize their stupidity. If throughout history everybody were homosexual and men and women only had sex with each other for the purpose of child birth, hetrosexuals would be downcast instead. Homosexuality is not a sin, yet most of you so called straight people treat it like one. And why? Because their views on whom they can or can not love is different from yours? A gay person has every right to walk down the street without being abused physically or verbally. One not so good friend of mine said once that he hated gay people because they are mutants and their minds are fucked up. Just because someone thinks different then you does not mean they are mutants or fucked up. So who are you to judge them? It is time to stop judging a person by his or her sexuality and start judging a person by what he or she is, "a person". FGJ

Options Chart*

Possible Examples:	WHAT I'D DO	WHAT'S THE WORST THAT CAN HAPPEN	WHAT'S THE BEST THAT CAN HAPPEN	WHAT'S MOST LIKELY TO HAPPEN
In case of abuse	Hit	Get beat up or killed	He could be surprised and leave	Get hit back
	Run	Run after and be caught	Get away	If someone's close, run to them
	Agree for now tell later	Be abused physically & sexually	Offender wouldn't do anything much	Offender will do more than child feels good about
After Abuse	Tell	Not be believed	Get support	Need to tell another person if first person won't believe
	Not tell	Abuse gets worse	Abuse will disappear	Abuse will continue
	Try to forget	Sibling get abused next	Never think of it again	Nightmares—fears of

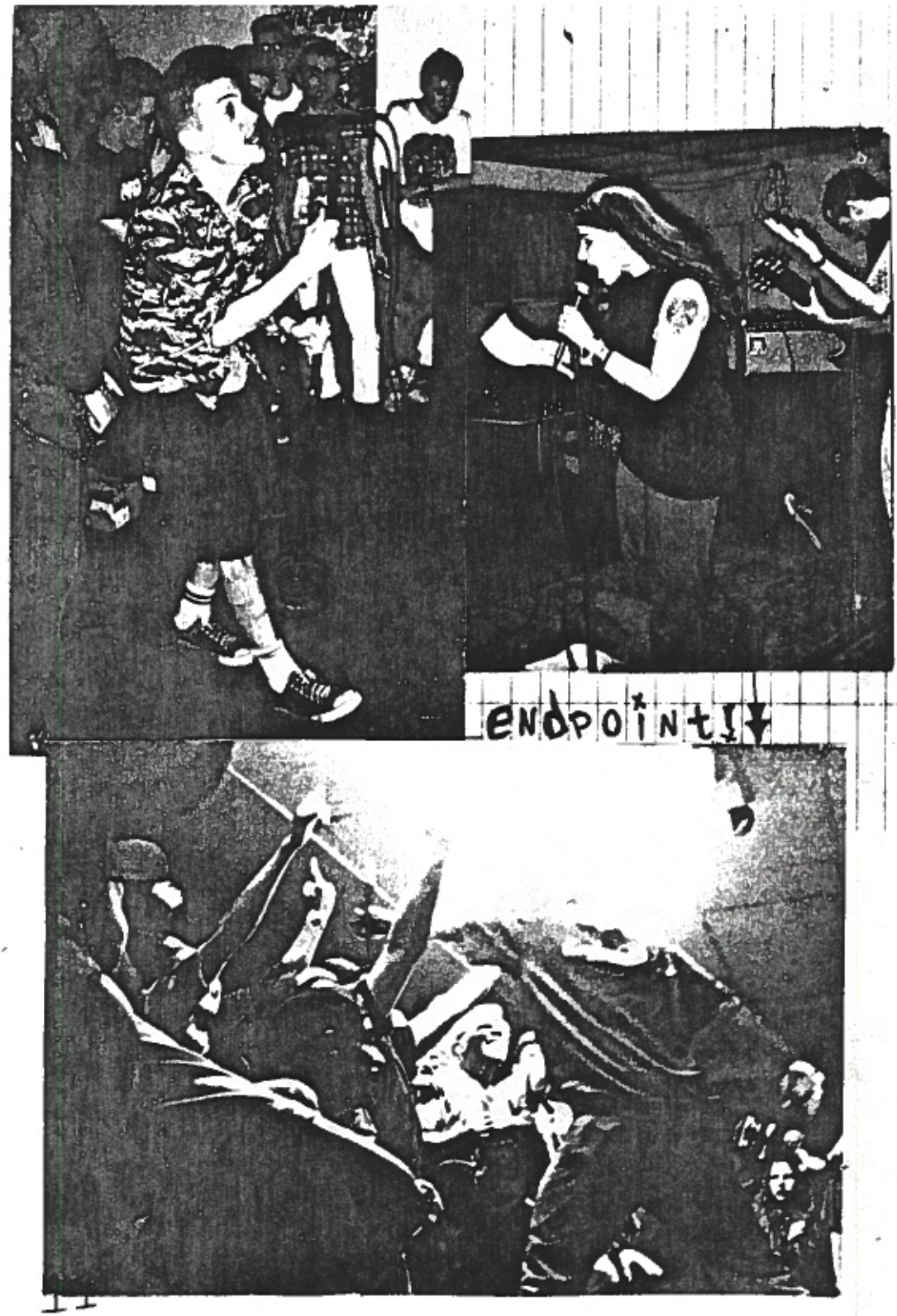
OKAY WELL I WROTE THIS BIG LONG ARTICLE IN THE BIG HUGE PARK ON THIS REAL HOT DAY ABOUT BIG PROBLEMS AND BIG CONVICTIONS WITH LOTS OF BIG ARGUMENTS WITH OLD MEM MORIES WITH OLD FRIENDS ,WELL NEEDLESS TO SAY IT WAS A BIG BORE TO WRITE AND IT REALLY NEVER WENT ANYWHERE SO I'VE DECIDED TO SCRAP THAT ARTICLE(OH DON'T WORRY I DID'NT JUST SCRAP THE ARTICLE I RECYCLED IT SO THAT FUT- URE GENERATIONS DON'T HAVE TO BE CONCERNED WITH THE WORLD AND THE PROBLEMS THAT I HAVE CAUSED LIVING IN THIS STY OF A PLANET)ANYWAY....I DON'T REALLY HAVE THAT MANY PRESSING THINGS TO WRITE ABOUT TODAY GUESS I'M JUST NOT IN THE MOOD REALLY SO IF ANYONE(I DOUBT IT) IS EXPECTING A WHOLE LOT OUT OF THIS COLUMN PLEASE JUST STOP WHERE YOU'RE AT AND SKIP THE REST NOT THAT I REALLY CARE ALL THAT MUCH IF YOU READ THIS OR NOT INFACT I KINDA HOPE THAT YOU DO SPEND YOUR OH SO PRECIOUS TIME READ ING THIS HOPING THAT MAYBE YOU CAN IDENTIFY WITH SOME- THING THAT I HAVE TO WRITE ABOUT WHEN YOU DO FIND THAT THERE IS PROBABLY NOTHING TO IDENTIFY WITH I HOPE YOU GET SAD OR UPSET OR SOMETHING AND START TO LOOK WITHIN YOURSELF FOR IDENTITY BECAUSE I WOULD HATE TO THINK THAT EVERYONE GETS THIER OWN FEEELINGS FROM LITTLE ZINES THAT THEY READ IT SEEMS AS THOUGH THAT IS MOST OF TEN THE CASE AS OF LATE OR MAYBE I'M JUST NOW REALIZING IT! SAD AS IT MAY BE FOR SOME ONE CAN NOT BE SOMEBODY ELSE JUST BECAUSE THEY ARE BORED WITH THIER OWN LIFE. YOU CANNOT TAKE OTHERS PAST OR PRESENT AND TWIST THEM INTO YOUR OWN JUST DOES'NT WORK THAT WAY. SURE ONE CAN DRESS ,LIVE ,TALK ,ACT,EMMULATE SOMEONE THEY MIGHT LOOK UP TO OR WHATEVER BUT NO MATTER HOW HARD THEY MAY TRY THEY WILL NEVER BE THAT PERSON.SO WHY NOT TRY TO IDENTIFY WITH YOUR OWN LIFE AND TIMES INSTEAD OF FEEDING OFF OF THE EXPIRIENCES OF ANOTHER BESIDES CHANCES ARE THIER LIFE IS JUST AS BORING AS YOURS IS.IF THIS WHOLE THING MADE ANY SENSE AT ALL OR IF IT DID'NT WHOCARE BESIDES HERE'S TO GOOD FRIENDS TONIGHT IS KIND OF SPECIAL. O H YEAH READ ALL OF RICHARD WRIGHT'S BOOKS THEY ARE INCREDIBLE OH YEAH SORRY JOSH I OWE YOUSIX BUCKS. HERE ON THE NORTH SHORE WE TREAT FREINDS MO' BETTER!!!

CONFRONTATION

Is it really all that impossible for a week to go by without being graced with the presence of a complete and total dolt?

Every day seems to bring larger and less intelligent idiots who fear nothing more than a shortage of beer. Who have nothing better to do than maybe ruin a show that I've been looking forward to for some time now. Boy-o-boy wasn't I glad to hear that Born Against played a longer and better set the next week in Dayton. Could it be that a certain dolt in the crowd at the Kent show was a determining factor in the length of the show?

Quite possibly , asshole.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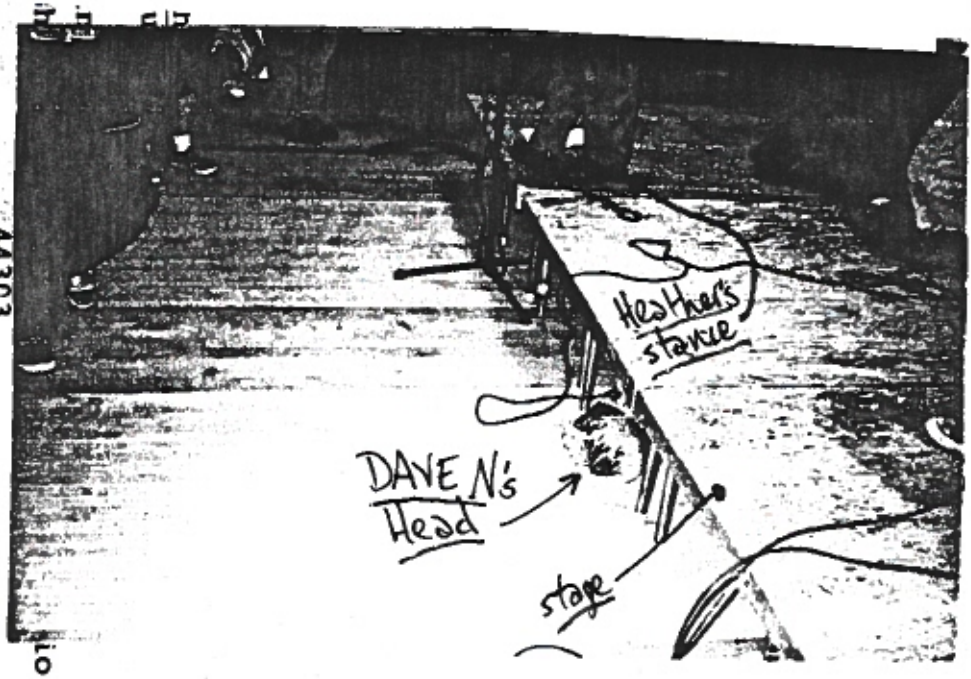
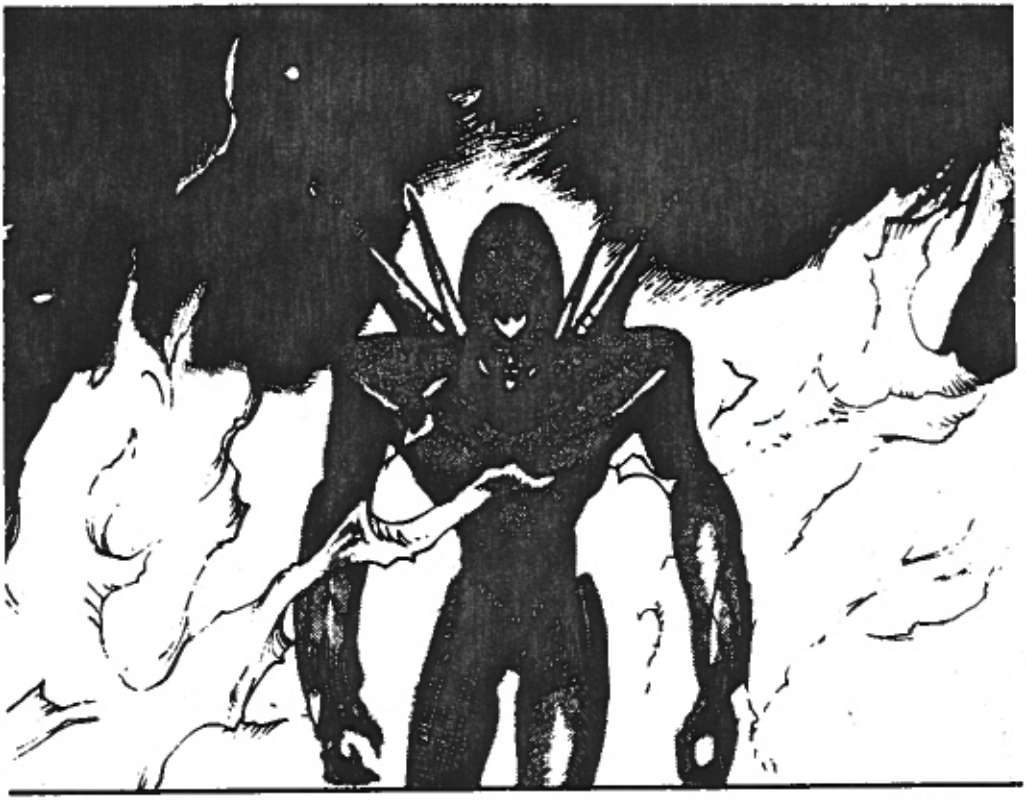
i don't understand. they crawl around and play strange music. **who** are they? **what** are they? are they **punk rockers**? hardcore kids? straight edge kids? **alternative teenyboppers?**



the fucker who drew this, I now hate. you know those kind of people who don't appreciate anything? yeah that's him.

jason rodgers can suck it-mutha fucka!!



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Reviews

Struggle/Undertow split 7"
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This great. Heavy rotation is the phrase for this "raging slab o' vinyl". Although Struggle sounds as if Downcast were their main influence, they manage to escape my criticism. Undertow is by far the better on this split which puts them so high up that they are touchin' tha moon. Your words is so gawd-damn good.-shu

Craw
Choke Records
1376 W. Grand Ave.
Chicago, Illinois
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This is tough, Imean these guys (actually their label) sent this record to me in exchange for a zine (the first time this has happened). But I can't really get into this. I think they want to be the next alternative thing. Kinda grungelike hardcoresque. I don't like it. Sorry.-shu

This Is Not A Picture Perfect World #1
--see ad this issue--

This is a good DIY focused zine from Clevo (I know, isn't that cool?). Good to excellent articles and all that shit, tuff guy. So get it. And oh yeah, they have a sistro thing going and they have everything on Ebullition and Vermiform so get a record or sumpin' when you write. Free.-shu

2one6
c/o nicole & larry gargus
373 moon drive
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STRONG

Neatly laid out full-size zine from the couple that's in your face. Good articles on hardcore, other good articles include politics, social problems and an excellent article by some guy named shu. Larry's an asshole and he's wallowing in it. (it's an akron thing). get this. oh yeah, more great illustrations from that illustrious illustrator, Shayne West. -shu

Mute #1 & #2
c/o Eschleman aka Helen Keller aka Deaf Kid aka Dean
5126 Lansdowne Dr.
Solon, OH 44139

Two cool zines from a new found friend. The first issue is worth it for the old man-little boy story and other cool things. Issue 2 has great pics of Avail that I wish I had for my own photo album. A recap of the More Than Music fest in Dayton, OH. the one up contrast, Fuck Flashes and a plethora of other hep as hell things. free-stamp...shu

STRONG

Rorschach- Needlepack 7"
Wardance
c/o Fred Alva
35-1893 ST
JCK HGHTS., NY 11372

I don't have nuch time to review this so I'll just say .....GET THIS!!!it's da best.shu

God's Chosen People 12" comp.
Old Glory Records
5 White Oak Drive
Colts Neck, New Jersey 07722

Avail, Merel, Elizabeth Herz,Askance, Puzzlehead, Native Nod, Rorschach, Groove, Shadowman, Iconoclast, Greyhouse, Born Against. GREAT! need I say more?-shu

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yee- haw!

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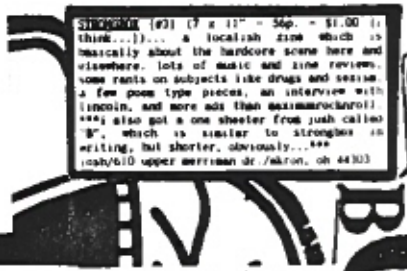

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Thank you. I've seen these two reviews and they were pretty true. The last issue was very contentless and quite overrun with ads. In this issue we've tried to lessen the numbe of ads and, at least comparitively, increase the written content. And if I happened to tell you we were going to put this out every six weeks...sorry,but we're all weak fuckers and that's just not all that possible.
How come no one ever tells me what sucks about our zine? It's been three months since #3 came out, and all the responses I've received, good or bad, are these two. I guess y'all just don't care.

i got into an arguement with a born again christian today. i'm not really sure where i stand, all i know is that i treat people well. And there probably is a higher force, but i refuse to worship anything or anyone.

What really bothered me was that she insisted that i will burn in hell if i don't hurry up and get"saved". Is there really heaven and hell/god and satan though? i've seen so many people go crazy(let alone broke) trying to find one or the other, it just seems so fake. Either way(God or Satan), it seems that you must conform to a standard so as to serve. i think that my standards are pretty damn good. I'm a humanist, I treat people the way I would want to be treated. I'm not nice to everyone because not everyone deserves to be treated nicely.

Anyways, this person that I was talking to seemed to think that the only way I would be worth anything is if I were to be "saved" and get to know God. If this isn't a self-righteous attitude then I don't know what is. For anyone to think they can tell someone who or what to believe, that's just .....uhmmmm...a bunch of shit. The bible talks so much about caring for others but all this BAC(Born Again Christian) was worried about was worshipping God and telling me that I was going to burn in hell.

This BAC so badly wanted to think that she had seen so much more than me but she was still the same age as me, and from past conversations with this person, I know that I've been around the block a few more thousand times more than her.The only thing she knew more about than me was witchcraft. go figure.

The BAC told me that it's possible to slow down the destruction of the earth, but when I said I agreed and that's why I treat people well and the same with the planet, she said that wasn't how. Okay, duh-huh, I'll pray for the planet- huh-huh-huh-huh. Yeah, she said to pray for a better planet. Like if you kiss God's ass enough, he'll make earth nicer. Give me a muthafuckin' break. Recycle. Go vegetarian. Protest. and all that shit. If you really care.

Reed pens. Good pens can be made from the

Well, tonight feels no different than any other night. But should it? Tonight is the last "school night" of my high school career. Three years of being confused and fucked up, one year of being myself and telling most everybody to fuck off. Maybe i should feel a bit of regret for not conforming and going to all those Friday night football games,for a bit of Americana, or not kissing ass to get that better grade. There are some things that i regret though, like slacking off and not paying attention when i should've, flicking all those days and classes, just to go out and fuck around. Those classes were given to me for and to use to my advantage. "But no way, those classes have nothing to do with 'real' life man!" Idiot. Taking something and using it to your advantage is one of the biggest parts of "real" life, man.

Anyways, i guess there is reason to feel strange, but it sure is taking some digging to find that"reason". Maybe had all my friends been made in school, i would fret because i'll never see'm again, but all my friends were made outside of school so i'm sure that we'll all be in touch frequently. Maybe had i been more involved with it, i would feel as if i were leaving a part of me behind, but i don't, so i'm forging ahead 100%- nothing missing.

Goodbye high school, i leave you nothing but a few empty characters and some permanant marker ink.

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Here's the part where I am supposed to say goodbye and possibly recap this issue. I'm not grasping the idea too well. So I'll tell you that we appreciate the fact that you bothered to pick this up and read it or look at the pretty pictures, whatever the case may have been. either way, it's been our pleasure serving you, you fuck. I always wanted to say that when I worked at Wendy's about 3 years ago. The above picture is of the person who has made it possible for you to read this issue and the two before it. **THANKS DAVE. .....also...be on the lookout** for Pedwin, our nifty little band that we have. hopefully we will have our shit together well enough to play on the 23 of july for the benefit for the FOR THE PEOPLE comp. Enough for the's for ya? see ya sometime-bye!

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